

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	§	
<b>Bhashyam Ramesh, et al.</b>	§	Group Art No. <b>2162</b>
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Serial No.: <b>10/661,245</b>	§	
	§	Examiner: <b>Jean M. Corrielus</b>
Filed: <b>September 12, 2003</b>	§	
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For: <b>Clustering Strings Using N-Grams</b>	§	Attorney Docket No.: <b>11092</b>

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 31, 2007**  
**ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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**DATE OF SUBMISSION: JANUARY 31, 2008**  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 31, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action. The three-month shortened statutory time for response expires on January 31, 2008; therefore, this Response is timely filed. This Response is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination.